

Remarks

Claims 1-22 were pending.

Claims 1-6, 8-12 and 14-22 are amended.

Claims 7 and 13 are cancelled.

Claim 18 is original.

The application now contains claims 1-6, 8-12 and 14-22.

Claim 1 is amended to replace the phrase "characterized in that said composition comprises" with the word "comprising" and to delete the word "ink" in the first line. Support for deleting "ink" is found in the specification on page 1, lines 2-4 and page 3, lines 3-5.

Claims 2, 8 and 19 are amended to remove multiple ranges.

Claims 3, 5, 6, 11, 12, 14-16, 21 and 22 are amended to remove multiple dependencies.

Claims 4, 9 and 10 are amended to remove both multiple ranges and multiple dependencies.

Claim 2 is further amended to replace the phrase "characterized in that " in line 1 with ""wherein".

Claims 4 and 19 are further amended to incorporate proper antecedent basis by deleting the phrase " the pigment/solvent dye ratio is" and replacing it with "the pigment and solvent dye are present in a pigment/solvent dye ratio of from".

Claim 8 is amended to be dependent on claim 1.

Claims 8-10 are further amended for clarity by including the phrase "based on the total weight of the pigmented lithographic printing ink" after the percent amounts. Support is inherent in the claim.

Claim 11 is amended to add a comma and to delete both occurrences of the word "and" in line 3.

Claim 12 is further amended to add the word "either" to line 2 and to add the phrase "or the pigment and the solvent dye separately" to line 3. Support is found in now cancelled claim 13.

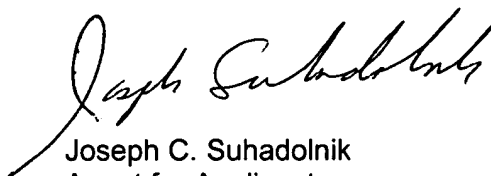
Claim 17 is amended to be dependent on claim 1 and to delete the wording which is now redundant as a result of its dependency on claim 1.

Claim 21 is further amended to change "colourants" to "colourant".

No new matter is added.

Consideration of the present claims on their merits is respectfully awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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